

AMENDMENT TO CLAIMS

Listing of Claims:

[The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:]

1. (Previously Presented) A method of managing tasks performed within a single client media player application program stored on a computer readable medium and running at the application level on a computer coupled over a network to a network-based media server, said method comprising:

receiving, via a task manager computer program implemented within the single client media player application program, tasks to be performed from the single client media player application program, the tasks pertaining to one or more different media-based actions, and the tasks involving interaction of the client media player application program with the media server over the network;

activating, via the task manager computer program, an operation at the client media player application program in response to each of the tasks; and

coordinating, via the task manager computer program, performance of the activated operations at the client media player application program in accordance with priority levels associated with the different media-based actions of the tasks, each of the different media-based actions having a different intra-application priority level, the priority levels of the different media-based actions being user-modifiable based on user interaction with the client media player application program.

2. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the priority levels are provided on a per-computer basis or a per-user basis.

3. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein said coordinating coordinates the execution of the activated operations pertaining to a particular user of the computer based on the priority levels.

4. (Cancelled).

5. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the different media-based actions include at least: previewing media, browsing media, purchasing media, and downloading media.

6. (Original) A method as recited in claim 5, wherein the media includes at least one of audio, video or images.

7. (Cancelled).

8. (Cancelled).

9. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1,

wherein the media includes at least audio, and

wherein the different media-based actions interact with the media server and include at least: previewing music, browsing music, purchasing music, and downloading music.

10. (Cancelled).

11. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium including at least executable computer program code tangibly stored thereon, that when executed by a computer performs a method of managing tasks performed within a single client media player

application program running at the application level on the computer that is coupled over a network to a network-based media server, said method comprising:

receiving, via a task manager computer program implemented within the single client media player application program, tasks to be performed from the single client media player application program, the tasks pertain to one or more different media-based actions, and the tasks involving interaction of the client media player application program with the media server over the network;

activating, via the task manager computer program, an operation at the client media player application program in response to each of the tasks; and

coordinating, via the task manager computer program, performance of the tasks at the client media player application program in accordance with priority levels associated with the different media-based actions of the tasks, each of the different media-based actions having a different intra-application priority level, the priority levels of the different media-based actions being user-modifiable based on user interaction with the client media player application program.

12. (Original) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 11, wherein the priority levels are provided on a per-computer basis or a per-user basis.

13. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 11, wherein said coordinating coordinates the performance of the tasks pertaining to a particular user of the computer based on the priority levels.

14. (Original) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 11, wherein the priority levels associated with the different media-based actions are user-modifiable.

15. (Original) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 11, wherein the different media-based actions include at least: previewing media, browsing media, purchasing media, and downloading media.

16. (Original) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 15, wherein the media includes at least one of audio, video or images.

17. (Cancelled).

18. (Cancelled).

19. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 11,
wherein the media includes at least audio, and
wherein the different media-based actions include at least: previewing music,
browsing music, purchasing music, and downloading music.

20. (Cancelled).

21. (Cancelled).

22. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 11, wherein said computer program code for receiving and said computer program code for coordinating ~~are part of an~~ interaction with an operating system program that operates on the computer.

23. (Previously Presented) A computer that presents media to a user, said computer comprising:

a single client media application program stored on a computer readable medium and running at the application level on the computer that enables the user to play, browse, preview, purchase, download and present a plurality of media items;

a network interface coupled to the computer that permits said single client media application program to interact with a media commerce server that stores or manages a the plurality of media items; and

a task manager computer program implemented within the single client media player application program that coordinates performance of at least browse, preview, purchase and download operations by assigning user-modifiable intra-application priority levels to each of the browse, preview, purchase and download operations, and coordinates performance of the browse, preview, purchase and download operations in accordance with the assigned user-modifiable intra-application priority levels based on user interaction with the client media application program.

24. (Previously Presented) A computer as recited in claim 23, wherein each of the browse, preview, purchase and download operations are executed by different processing threads.